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Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

First Named Inventor: Japuntich, Daniel A.
 Application No.: 09/677637 Group Art Unit: 3743
 Filed: October 3, 2000 Examiner: Aaron J. Lewis
 Title: FIBROUS FILTRATION FACE MASK HAVING A NEW UNIDIRECTIONAL FLUID
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on
 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
 - iii. Other
 - b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/Supplemental IDS
 - iv. Other
2. A Request for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently
3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)
- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees or credit any overpayments to:
 - Deposit Account No. 13-3723. A duplicate copy of this letter for fees processing is enclosed.
- i. RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)
- ii. Other

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